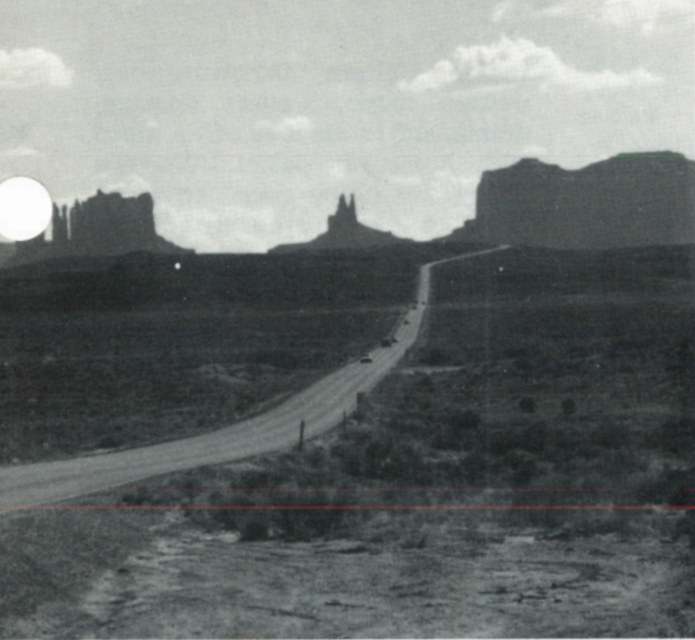




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Editorial:

Each year, usually during the month of August, the National Sons of Utah Pioneers hold their annual Encampment, their official convention. Its purpose is to receive instructions from their President and his committees, hear reports, associate with friends old and new, and to elect officers for the coming year.

This year's Encampment was hosted by the Little Colorado River Chapter in St. Johns, Arizona. Those who attended from all over Western America were treated and welcomed in the town of St. Johns in a most warm and friendly manner.

This Encampment was organized, hosted and executed by President Keith Shreeve and his committees, assisted by Area Vice President Francis Day. Day is a member of the Little Colorado River Chapter. Through the combined efforts of these people an Encampment was organized and conducted to the immense satisfaction of all who attended. Those members who missed this Encampment have missed a great highlight in the history of SUP Encampments.

The schedule of events proceeded --as our hosts promised they would-- with the use of a variety of talent from St. Johns itself. These townspeople proved that they were not only warm-hearted and gracious, but gifted and talented as well. There was dancing, music, art,

Indian Culture demonstrations, western music, western dancing, drama, and to cap it all off--a rodeo with hometown talent. We saw young men riding steers, boys and their dads roping together, husbands and wives steer roping, young girls barrel racing--real family events.

Girls--children down to the age of five--participated in the grand entry of mounted riders that was beautiful. It was a real hometown, community show. Here was proof of a warm-hearted, wholesome community, a town in which one could be proud to call home.

St. Johns' families welcomed visitors into their homes. Motels were comfortable and convenient. A parking lot was provided next to the High School Gymnasium for those visitors who arrived in their own mobile homes and vans, with toilet and shower facilities free. Visitors were served three delicious meals each day by professional caterers.

We want to thank the good people of St. Johns, the Little Colorado River Chapter and its officers, the Mayor and city officials for their gracious welcome to SUP visitors. We will long remember their gracious, friendly attitude. They have set a good example of leadership, in accomplishing this goal they set for themselves a year ago.

The success of this Encampment gives us renewed determination to assess our purposes and goals. Why did each of us join this organization that has such strong potential to memorialize and appreciate our pioneer ancestors, and the heritage they left to us? Each member is urged to memorialize his ancestors by having their names inscribed in the Pioneer Hall of Fame in the gallery at the National Headquarters Building; to be seen and remembered through the years to come.

Here are a few suggestions as to how you might enhance this pioneer gallery: Contact and invite businessmen of your acquaintance to buy a Life Membership in SUP. Then show them how they can have their family members memorialized. Make sure you have the proper tools to present this idea competently. Photos of the gallery and of the National Headquarters Building, with

a copy of the Pioneer Magazine, may help in your presentation. Bring up the matter in family reunions. Suggest that donations be made to have certain ancestors memorialized by SUP. In this way, all can contribute. Perhaps then, some will want to become members of SUP.

There are people who are interested in the genealogy of their pioneer ancestors, and who need only to have our memorialization program explained to them. They may not be willing to do genealogical work themselves, but would welcome an opportunity to contribute to having their ancestors memorialized. A family reunion is a good place to make an approach with such suggestions.

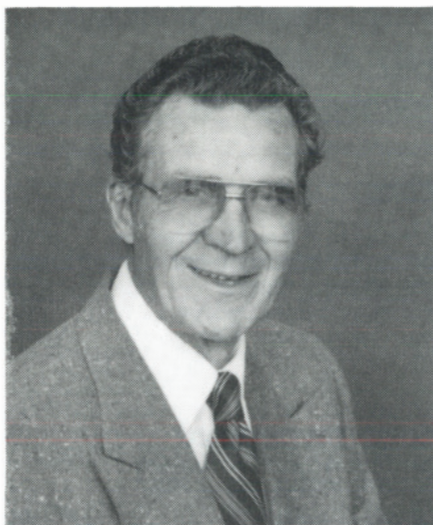
Don't pass up an opportunity to help our "tile" program. This is the practice and privilege of inscribing your own name, and that of your spouse--and other relatives and even friends--on the tiles that line the walls of our National Building. Entire families can be memorialized and remembered in this manner. The cost is small and the names remain there forever. Full information can be obtained from the Pioneer Magazine or from National Headquarters Office. We may not be pioneers ourselves, but we can have our names remembered and help the organization that memorializes our pioneer ancestors at the same time.

These three programs: life memberships, pioneer name memorialization and the tile inscription program, have the great potential of making SUP the envy of other organizations who do not have a pioneer heritage.

As members and leaders we have yet to reach our potential in this organization. To be able to do this we must all have a passion for equality, be "movers and shakers," learn to praise others, share credit, and give credit where credit is due. Make yourself a happy and contented SUP member and memorialize your pioneer ancestors!!

Morris P. Bennion, Pres.-Elect

*Are your sons and
grandsons Life Members?*



President's Message

We have witnessed the "miracle" of happy co-operative effort of the National Encampment. Friendship and good-will were genuine and contagious.

We were welcomed with open arms, and were given delicious food, souvenirs, "family" entertainment, historic sight seeing, etc.

The memory lingers on! Our sincere thanks to our friends at St. Johns, Arizona. New friends were made and old friendships renewed.

Now regarding a few of the accomplishments of the seven months activities of this administration.

The open door policy and determination to help and understand one another has had a unifying effect. Many people have contributed time, talents, and personal finances to help us achieve our goals.

The Days of '47 parade was a great event. The float depicting the building of the Salt Lake Temple was a highlight. The surrey, two wagons drawn by oxen, 2 by horses, and ten handcarts, all were featured.

Exciting plans are in process for greater growth and achievement. As these additional programs are refined and authorized by several governing bodies, proper announcements will be made.

The tax problem has been resolved. The building can be used by our own members (with limitations) and for some community service activities.

We are still in litigation over the railroad so do not ask the Heber Creeper to honor SUP discounts.

Many friends have been made, as

we co-sponsor activities with the International Cultural Exchange foundation. This is part of our world friendship mission, and community involvement.

Congratulations to those fine people elected to take office January 1, 1989. Until then, let's continue effective leadership. The new Life Membership Committee is in action. Please, let us all encourage life or regular memberships and continue the support of all S.U.P. programs.

We appreciate your help.

Everett H. Call

Settlement Canyon Makes Tooele County Trek

On June 3rd, 1988, Trek Master Don Rosenberg of the Settlement Canyon Chapter hosted a very successful tour to the South end of Tooele County; 28 members were in attendance.

The group made their first stop at the old Vernon School House which brought back many memories of school days gone by.

From Vernon, they traveled 5 miles to the site where Benmore once was. A brief history was given here by Don Rosenberg, where at one time the town had a population larger than that of Vernon. In 1915 the town had a full fledged Ward house, and a School house. The town was later purchased by the Federal Government and made into a Land Utilization Project. Studies have been made here over the years to determine which grasses grow the best under different conditions; and which ones cattle survive the best on.

The name Benmore comes from two of the prominent families that lived there, the Skidmores and the Bennions. Part of each name was taken to make the name Benmore.

From here the group traveled to the Vernon Reservoir where the history of the Reservoir was given by Don Rosenberg. He was the Engineer over Construction Surveys. The method and type of construction was discussed.

After the tour of the Dam site, a Dutch oven dinner was enjoyed by all.

This tour was very interesting and enjoyed immensely by everyone that attended.

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Dr. Kimball Authors New Mormon Trail Book

Dr. Stanley B. Kimball, Mormon historian and Professor, has just published through the University of Illinois Press a new volume dealing with the Mormon Trail. His book, a copy of which has been deposited with the SUP National Library, is entitled "Historic Sites and Markers Along the Mormon and Other Great Western Trails."

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Mesa 14
East Mill Creek 9
Box Elder 7
Salt Lake City 6
At Large 6
Canyon Rim 5
EMC Mills 5
Sugar House 4
Holladay 4
Brigham Young 3
Temple Quarry 3
South Davis 2
Twin Peaks 2
Murray 2
Pot/Wash 2
Salt Lake Pioneer 2
Parleys Historic Park 2
George Albert Smith 1
Pioneer Heritage 1
Temple Fork 1
Oquirrh Mountains 1
Sierra 1
Taylorsville/Bennion 1
Settlement Canyon 1
Tempe 1

Name Memorialization By Chapter

Temple Fork 28
Holladay 16
Non Members 12
Sugar House 9
At Large 8
Salt Lake City 8
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About the Cover

All of the photographs in this issue regarding events and people participating in the Encampment were taken by Leo Mower. Leo is a member of the Holladay Chapter and is the official photographer for the National S.U.P.

In the upper right hand corner is a photo of the head table at the final Saturday evening banquet in St. Johns. From left to right are shown Pres. Everett Call, his wife, Anne, then Faye Bennion seated by her husband Morris Bennion, Pres.-Elect, Betty Murdock and husband Lewis Murdock, Executive Secretary, then Claudine Gray and her husband Howard Gray, National Treasurer.

In the lower right hand corner are pictured a group of Zuni Indian Dancers who performed their native dances. The remainder of the pictures on the cover are scenes in Monument Valley on the route to St. Johns.

Daughters of Utah Pioneers Hold Artifact Restoration Concert

The National Society of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers is proud to present Wladimer Jan Kochanski in concert on November 19, 1988, in the SLC Symphony Hall at 8:00 p.m. This fine piano virtuoso is a graduate of Juilliard School of Music, and has held huge audiences spellbound by his talent and warm charm.

The funds from this concert are to be used for artifacts restoration and museum needs. Tickets are now available at the Pioneer Memorial Museum. The tickets will be \$6.00 donation before November 1st and \$7.50 donation after November 1st. Children under eight years of age are not encouraged to attend.

They would like to fill the 2800 seat Symphony Hall with members, their families and friends, to share a musical program that will feature both classical and contemporary selections.

Temple Quarry SUP Chapter News

Temple Quarry Chapter held its annual "chick-a-ree" on July 14th. It was held in Midvale City Park Bowery with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bigler and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Greenwood as hosts.

After a delightful picnic dinner, we were entertained by Shauna and Bill Randall. Their guitar and vocal selections were enjoyed by the large crowd.

On July 15th, a group of members attended the play "The Unsinkable Molly Brown" in the beautiful outdoor theater at Sundance.

A large number of members attended the Encampment at St. Johns, Arizona. Some went by bus while others drove their RV's.

An on-going project for the chapter is "canned goods for the needy." Members are reminded to contribute to this good cause at the meeting in September.

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Your contributions of material to your Pioneer Research Library are appreciated. Recent contributors are: Lewis B. Murdock, Marshall K. Brinton, Jack B. Goodwin, Edward B. Jackson and Paul G. Pugh.

Interesting material on Eastern Arizona places of interest has been received since the recent National Encampment in St. Johns, Arizona. These include the Art Museum in Springviller, Canyon de Chelly, Fremont Indian Culture, St. Johns, Arizona, Petrified Forest, Meteor Crater, Glen Canyon Dam and Lake Powell.

The following information by Obed C. Haycock, "Electric Power Comes to Utah" is from the Spring 1977 issue of Utah Historical Quarterly: In the fall of 1880 the Cole Brothers Circus advertised as part of its show "the only genuine electric light." The salesman arranged a demonstration at an industrial plant south of the City. Two electric lamps illuminated the building "in brilliance second only to sunlight." The Salt Lake Power, Light and Heating Company was formed in November, and in April 1881 Salt Lake City became the fifth city in the world to adopt a central power system for lighting.

The first plant was located on the west side of Main Street between First and Second South near the stage of the present Utah Theater. The thirty by seventy foot brick structure contained four 60 horsepower boilers that drove a Buckeye engine of 150 horsepower capacity. The engine, in turn, drove three Brush generators of 40-lamp capacity each.

The new electric service offered stiff competition to the gas company which had to reduce rates from \$4.00 per 100 cubic feet to \$3.00 per month. Electric rates were \$27.00 per month per lamp for all night service, \$19.00 for twelve hour service, and \$12.50 for service to 10 p.m.

Although outages and other problems beset the first suppliers of electricity, enthusiasm for the new service was high. More information on early electric plants in Utah is available in this article which is available at your Pioneer Research Library.

Pioneer Cabin Restored and Beautified

Richard G. Thayne, member of the George Albert Smith Chapter in Provo, Utah, urges recognition for Elaine Jones Hughes. Mrs. Hughes, fulfilling a dream perceived long ago, arranged to have a pioneer cabin that was once the home of her ancestor, Archibald Gardner moved from its location in West Jordan to a vacant lot next to the Jones Mansion in Spanish Fork. She then beautified the lot, making a beautiful "Pioneer Village."

The beautiful finished project adds to the beauty of the neighborhood, and memorializes her ancestor at the same time.

We agree with Richard, she deserves recognition.

Alva Matheson, Charter Member of Cedar SUP Chapter Is Justly Proud of Participation in Nine Historical Markers

Alva Matheson is a charter member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers Chapter at Cedar City, Utah. He has been active in many SUP activities. His favorite activity is in the placing of historical markers to designate the location of events in the history of Southern Utah. His record in assisting in the designation, planning and erection of these markers is a very worthy accomplishment. The markers with which he assisted are as follows: Hamilton Fort, The John D. Lee Flour Mill, The Co-op Flour Mill, The Iron Foundry, First Pioneer Settlement in Cedar Valley, Escalante Trail of 1776, Separation point of 49'ers Death Valley Party, Parowan Gap Petroglyphs, and The Fort Cedar Monument.

Space will not permit the printing of photographs of each of these monuments. Two of them are pictured. Brother Matheson is to be congratulated on his contributions to these important markers.

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Settlement Canyon Chapter Tours Great Salt Lake

Under the direction of Tour Director, Don Rosenberg, 36 members of the Settlement Canyon Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers enjoyed a scenic boat trip around the new Saltair Pavilion, Black Rock, the Boat Marina, etc. of the Great Salt Lake on the 6th of July, 1988.

Boat Captain Rowe Harrison,

also a resident of Tooele, was very descriptive as he related interesting histories, stories, statistics, etc. of the rise and fall of the Great Salt Lake. He pointed out various water marks showing previous levels of old Lake Bonneville. All of those on the tour enjoyed this most interesting boat cruise.

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Kanyon Creek Mill

by Leo L. Mower

Several years ago Lewis B. Murdock, Frank A. Brown and others began to look for information having to do with a mill supposedly built by Brigham Young in the early 1950's. The location of the mill was reported to be somewhere in the large gully just north of the National Headquarters of the Society of Utah Pioneers. A search was organized for any information concerning such a mill. About a year ago W. Rene Nelson became involved in the search as a part of his assignment as a Holladay Chapter Director.

Then came the time when Florence Youngberg, National Secretary, was involved in the hunt for more information. Florence turned out to be the missing key in the entire project. She knew the correct name of the mill, where and when it had been built and located, and what for and by whom it had been used. Her grandparents had lived very near to the mill while it was in existence and she had played in the area as a young child. She also was able to work with Rene Nelson in finding a picture of the mill taken when it was at its maximum size and in full operation.

The plaque depicting the Kanyon Creek Mill was dedicated at the dinner meeting of the Holladay Chapter on the evening of July 8, 1988 by W. Rene Nelson. He and others involved with the plaque and who participated in the dedicatory ceremony are shown in the picture above. The plaque which will be placed on the north porch-way of the National Society Headquarters building reads as follows:

Kanyon Creek Mill 1852-1900

Kanyon Creek mill, also known as Brigham Young's Upper Mill and as the Young-Little Mill, occupied a site where the Country Club Golf Course now is located. It was located almost a mile west of here in the gully below. It was the first, the biggest, and the most valuable of the two flour mills that Brigham Young partly owned and invested in during the first ten years that he and his people colonized the Salt Lake Valley.



Holladay Chapter members recently put up a new plaque about the Kanyon Creek Mill. Those who worked on completing the plaque were: (L to R) Hollis Smith, Pres.; Rene Nelson, Frank Brown, Florence Youngberg, Lewis Murdock and Everett Call, National Pres.

Kanyon Creek Mill was a large mill for its time. It was two and one-half stories high and constructed of adobe. It was started in 1849 and completed in 1852. It was owned and built by Brigham Young and Feramor Little, each of whom owned a one-half interest. Iron initials of each owner, B.Y. and F.L., were fastened to the wall braces that held the ends together.

It was powered by a large water wheel on the northeast corner. Water to power the wheel came through the mill race which began at Parley's Creek one mile east of the mill.

It was used as a flour mill for several years, then as a cotton mill, and later as a woolen mill. The woolen mill required an additional building to process the wool. The building was constructed of lumber and was used for sorting, cleaning and dyeing the wool. The wool was separated according to length and color and cleaned of burrs, sticks and other impurities. The wool was then dyed in large vats that were heated by a large brick furnace in the cellar. The factory had three sets of cards, twelve looms and used girls and women for labor. An expert could tend three looms and earn three dollars a week.

During the smallpox epidemic of 1900, the old Brigham Young Mill was used as a pest house. There were many protests because the creek which ran past it was a major source of culinary water for the city. No one moved the pest house, but one morning the old mill was found mysteriously burned to ruins.

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PahOwan Gap

by Alva Matheson

In writing about the Parowan Gap I do so - not as a scientist who has searched and researched, or has written from someone else's writings and has been misled in the process - but as one who has been with the older Indians, and has heard their stories and legends from the Indian version of life and history, as told to them by their Naragweenap (story teller) who keeps their history on the straight and narrow down through many generations to the present time.

Many times I have questioned different words and events and the answer is, "That's white man's word or story, not Indian's words." For instance, I mentioned metates for grinding their corn or seeds. I was told in no uncertain terms, "That's white man's word, Indian word is Motrie." I mentioned Piauete as their tribe name. I was told, "That is not right, that name should be Paheed." (There is a story about that.) Parowan is not an Indian name, it should be "Pah-haw-wan." Indian language seldom uses words or names with the letter "r." It is hard for the Indian tongue to pronounce "r."

I talked one day with an old Indian from Kanosh who was thrilled to be able to talk to a white man who was interested in anything pertaining to Indian life and history. During our conversation I asked the old man what he knew about Parowan.

"Valley and Gap," he said, "I don't know too much anymore, I only been there two or three times since I grew up. When Mountain Meadow trouble over my Grandpa took all his family to Kanosh and I lived there ever since." I asked him if he knew when the Parowan Gap opened up. He said, "No, that long before my time; but my Grandpa, long time ago, he saw the hill break open," and he opened both hands several times to indicate many generations ago. He said, "This is a good place, big lake, many animals, fish and birds all around, good place. Pretty soon the ground started to shake." (To show me how the ground shook he shook his legs

and body as violently as he could.) "Then pretty soon the west hills catch fire, burst open and rocks go way up in the air and big crack come in the hills and let all the water out. That's what Nara-gwee-nap tells us. Each papa tells his boy for a long long long time. Now I tell my boys. They don't care. They say just fairytales, don't listen."

I asked about the pictures on the rocks. He said, "I don't know too much about some of that," and he held all the fingers on one hand up and said, "My Grandpa said a long time ago some Indians from another tribe who had lived away in the north where snow and cold all the time, cold and hungry all the time, so they decided to go south between where the sun comes up in the summer and where it comes up in the winter. The tribe split, some stayed there, the others traveled all the way to this place with a big lake in the Cedar Valley for fish, fowls and wild animals. This was a good place to rest. While there they sent scouts out to see what was ahead. The scouts went to the Colorado River and up to Green River before they could cross."

(My own interjection.) I believe all of this story and I believe that this tribe is what we know as the Navajo tribe. According to some stories there is still a tribe in Alaska which is similar and I think that they and the Navajos are the same blood.

Now back to the Gap. My Indian friend told me the meaning of many of the petroglyphs associated with the Gap. He said that there is not a picture there that does not have a special meaning if one could read into it what the writer intended. No Indian is going to sit endless hours to peck pictures on rocks with another rock if the pictures have no meaning. They all tell something about hunting, trading, travel or religion, etc.

As I remember, there are as many petroglyphs buried under those slides as there are exposed. A little farther to the south there is a complete map of Rush Lake, Parowan Gap, Parowan Lake, Buckhorn Spring, Paragona and Beaver River and as far west as Desert Butte. Are these some of those old Indian doodlings?

In another place there is a circle

with three smaller circles hanging from a larger one. I have been told that the large circle represents heaven, or where the Gods live. Tobats was the head God or older brother, Chanob, the younger brother, and Chonova, the spirit or messenger between Chanob and man. There are many other symbols of travel, scoreboards, vehicles for the Gods, life and death symbols, battles, rainbows and many others.

If a person doesn't know Greek or French how is he going to read these languages? Likewise, just because he doesn't understand the Indian language doesn't mean that it has no meaning. Every picture on those panels have a definite meaning if they could be understood. I have wondered for many years why these petroglyphs were not protected more from vandals more than they have been and from men's names and shooting, etc.

I have long since been desirous of seeing a monument to these ancient dwellers of this area built at this place. Now my desire has been fulfilled with the making of a beautiful plaque that has been placed at the east entrance of the Gap by the Bureau of Land Management, the Parowan Eagle Scouts and myself.

We appreciate the efforts of Richard Dettamante who placed the plaque on a chosen rock.

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My Life and the Cable Cars

by Richard Grant Thayne

Cable cars played a very important place in my boyhood days. I would ride the Salt Lake and Utah Railroad, more commonly called the "Orem" or the "Interurban" to various parts of the State.

The Orem train station was located on 1st West and Center Street, where the present Provo J. C. Penney store is located today and just west of the tabernacle grounds. I would take this train to General Conference in Salt Lake City. It would travel straight west down the middle of Provo's Center Street past the Pierpont Foundry beyond Fifth West and traveling northwards to Salt Lake stopping at every little town enroute. The one car train would pull into the station on South Temple and Second West Street and unload its passengers. I would cross the street to the Tabernacle for conference. From this same station operated the "Bamburger" going to Ogden, another train to the fair grounds and on to the Saltair Resort. At Saltair there were many rides, concessions, a dancehall and a huge Giantracer.

One time I almost missed the train to Provo. I waited by the General Authorities door in the Tabernacle for President Heber J. Grant. I was determined to shake hands with him, a thrill which I remembered all of my life. I would stay with Aunt Ruby so I could attend all the days of the General Conference.

I like to search out material and connect them with my life story. I sought out old people and questioned them about the Orem Train. Finding out the repair sheds were in Payson, I traveled there, only to find that they had been torn down.

In 1911 boys piled up rocks on the track derailing the train. By the telephone in the car the conductor called the station for a work crew and another train to continue the trip to Salt Lake City. There was a low voltage telephone line which was inside the cable which drove the train which they could call anywhere on the line direct. One of the boys admitted to the Sheriff that he had derailed the train. He was fined five hundred dollars. He paid it off doing dishes at the county jail.



The Orem collided with the Heber Creeper on 2nd West and Center Street on October 4, 1918. They both got a Learners corner at the same time.

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SUP BUILDS AND PRESENTS A FLOAT

The 1988 Days of '47 parade was appropriately led by an impressive array of entries by the Sons of Utah Pioneers. The theme of the parade was "The Pioneer Spirit—Legacy of Pride."

Under the direction of Phil Robbins, present Chairman of the SUP Days of '47 Committee, Sons of Utah Pioneer representation in the parade has increased dramatically. We have gone from a single surray to a sequence of entries depicting the pioneer founding the Utah Territory.

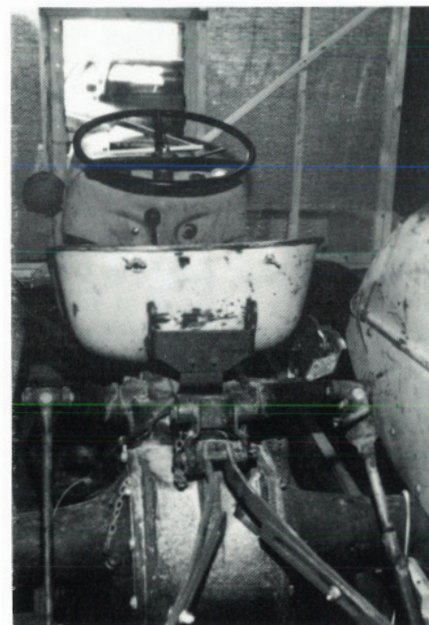
The first entries arranged by Phil were the natives of Utah—the Indians, followed by the explorers, then came the covered wagons and several handcarts filled with the necessities of life and laboriously pushed by families recruited from the SUP Chapters who built them. All were in pioneer dress and truly represented the noble courage of our pioneers.

A new SUP entry this year was a FLOAT! Our float followed other SUP entries and was the first float of the parade. Chairman Robbins chose as the theme "We'll Build a Temple to Our God." It was a portrayal of the building of the Salt Lake Temple. In the center of the float stands Brigham Young pointing to a vision of the temple and instructing the architect, Truman Angell, in the details of the construction, even to the building of the elevator shaft, which puzzled the Saints of that day.

Mike Robbins depicted Brigham Young and Richard Scott was Truman Angell. Working at the Temple site on the float were two stone masons, three stone cutters, an operator of an authentic old grinding stone and a gardner who was in the rose garden at the rear. SUP members taking the part of these tradesmen were Hollis Smith, Richard Pond, Dan Allred, Ed Kennedy, Lowell Perkins, Verl Peterson, and Kyle Kennedy. Workers at the original temple site built small boweries under which they worked as protection against the weather. There was a bowery and the beginning of temple construction on our float.

Pulling the float was a tractor cleverly concealed in a log cabin "tool shed." The dedicated driver was Warren Parker. The tractor was on loan from Outdoor Power Products of Lehi. Morris Bennion, our National President-elect, obtained both the tractor and the trailer for our use. Carpenters, who did a superb job, included Phil Robbins, Vern Taylor, LeGrand Baer, Lowell Perkins, Frank Partridge and Lloyd Martin. Decorators of the float were Lois Allred, Kaye Garff, Helen Quist and Jean and Frank Partridge. Valuable help was given by Hollis Smith, Dan Allred, Lew Murdock, Wallace Bates and Everett Call. A new appreciation of the effort required to construct a float was felt by all who worked on it.

The National Officers and especially the SUP Days of '47 Chairman Phil Robbins extends a vote of thanks to all those who helped in any way to make the entries in the parade so appropriate and enjoyable.



“We Go By Winnebago” or “to St. Johns by Motor Coach”

by Robert E. Jones

Leo and Mildred Mower are neighbors of ours, and fellow members of SUP. When they invited Hazel and me to go to St. Johns, Arizona for the SUP Annual Encampment with them in their new Winnebago Motor Coach, we readily accepted. It would be great fun, we thought, and would save us some money as well.

So we packed everything in the van the night before. Leo had said that he wanted to get an early start and would call for us at 6:00 a.m. on the morning of August 3rd.

When the alarm went off at 5:00 a.m. I stumbled out of bed, rubbing my eyes and grumbling to Hazel, “This is before daylight.”

“Yes, dear, but you know we need to get an early start if we are to get to Flagstaff by night,” she responded soothingly.

By the time we had eaten a quick breakfast, the lights of the Winnebago were shining in our driveway. I grabbed my shaving equipment and my extra shoes, and we were off.

Have you ever ridden in a Winnebago? It is a marvel of modern travel equipment. It is purposefully built small for economical reasons. It is a motor van, but it has everything in it you would ordinarily have in a two-bedroom house—only on a smaller scale. It has two seats in front, one for the driver and one for the co-pilot or navigator. Behind these two front seats are two more seats for passengers. Then there is a space approximately four feet containing a refrigerator, a stove, a sink and a toilet.

The toilet folds down from the wall with a small wash basin over it. It is enclosed in a small plywood wall with a front and sides mounted on a track. You can enlarge the toilet room simply by activating a release and sliding the enclosure outward.

If you don't activate the release and pull out the front enclosure you don't have enough room to sit down. And if you sit down and

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The Zuni Indians entertain us with their dance.



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“Lunch in the park”



Pres. Everett Call and wife, Anne

don't, or can't slide out the moveable enclosure you can't stand up. This expansion, operating on a track, increases the size of the toilet room.

Leo drove. This was nice, since the rest of us could enjoy the scenery. Down I-15 we went. Turned off at Levan. We passed through Gunnison, Sigurd and Loa. The landscape was pretty much the same, desert scenery all the way.

Then we passed into Capitol Reef National Park. Here was something I had never seen before. It is just as spectacular as Bryce Canyon, only a little smaller. We enjoyed the red sandstone cliffs, the amazing shapes God has created in this dramatic area. We stopped at the Visitors Center and took photographs all around.

Then on again, down through Hanksville and through Canyonlands National Park and through Mexican Hat. Then we crossed over into Arizona and headed for Flagstaff.

But before Flagstaff you must pass through Monument Valley. This is something every American should see. The formations of the earth are so colorful and huge in size; they defy the imagination. We had seen them in pictures, but to pass through this amazing area and see these wonderful formations in person, was something to behold. If you haven't seen them before, please don't die until you have had this experience.

It was late evening before we hit Flagstaff. We found a nice RV Park just north of the city and settled in for the night.

I have never slept closer to Hazel before. The space was fine if you

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Our next (1989) Pres. Morris Bennion and wife, Faye



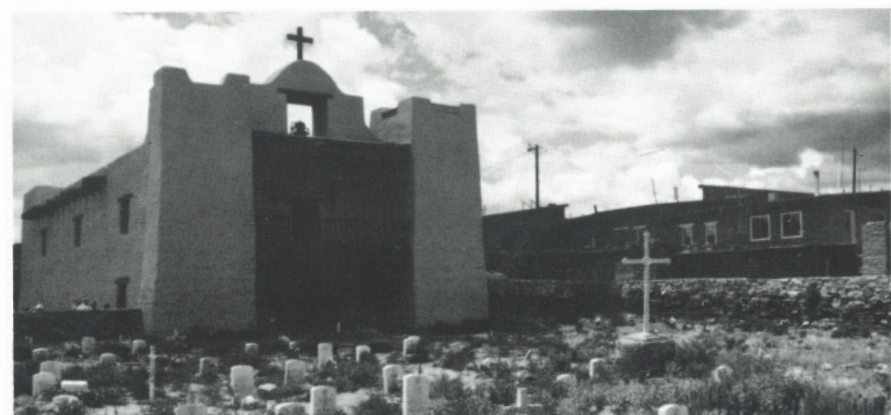
Pres.-Elect Robert Wagstaff and wife, Ruth



A local dance group entertains us.



Zuni Chief say: "SUP eat plenty good."



We visited the 16th Century Church in Zuni.

didn't turn over. But I am a roller and twister in the night and it was hard for me to get comfortable. I slept on the lower side of the bed, and every time someone pulled out the expansion on the toilet front, it felt like it took a little hide off my right ear. But I made it through the first night.

We learned how the pioneers all dressed and undressed in a small wagon space. You simply have to ignore the other people trying to do the same thing in so small of space.

The next morning we awoke to a grey dawn. It was so dark and the space so small that I tried to put the second leg into my trousers, only to find that Leo already had his leg in the same space. We were trying to get into the same pair of pants. No wonder he was having trouble with the zipper on his fly.

After a delicious breakfast in the van, we headed east on Freeway No. 40. (That Mildred Mower is a wonderful cook.) We turned off at Holbrook and headed to St. Johns and arrived there in the early afternoon.

We were greeted warmly by Rex Whiting, a member on the host committee. He showed us where to park our vehicle next to the High School gym where toilets and showers were available to us.

For the next three days all meals were served to us by our hosts of the Little Colorado River Chapter. We ate in the High School cafeteria, buffet style. The food was plentiful and good and of great variety. Every where we went members of the Host Committee--and the townspeople--met us with smiles and handshakes.

The outstanding thing about the Encampment was the warmth from the greetings we received from the local townspeople. They made you feel that they really appreciated your coming to visit them. And before we were through, you had the feeling that here was a community that you would like to live in; here were people that you would like to live next to and get to know better.

Our entertainment was supreme, most of it by local talent. It made you wonder how such a small community could come up with such skill and talent. There were vocalists

of excellence, instrumentalists supreme, and interesting speakers who knew when to quit. It was a great Encampment. Every event went off without problems and with evident planning and execution.

On Saturday afternoon, the final day, our Hosts put on a rodeo for our entertainment. I have lived in the west and have attended rodeos all of my life even some of the great shows of the west, but I have never before witnessed what we saw in St. Johns, Arizona on that afternoon.

There were no professional rodeo cowboys, no bucking broncos, and no brahma steers. In the pretty, little rodeo arena on the outskirts of town (built with local, volunteer hands) we saw families put on a show. The men rode in the arena with little sons and daughters on the saddle in front of them. Young wives and mothers were there, helping their kids into and out of saddles. I saw a little girl, surely not more than four, reining her big horse around the arena, urging him on with whips from the strings on the saddle. Everybody was out to have a good time and to show their guests what a true community event was like.

The young boys of the town rode steers, brought in from local desert herds. Young husbands and wives teamed together to do the steer roping. Sometimes the wife roped the head of the steer, and sometimes she took the hind legs while her husband roped the head. Often they missed their catch. But you had the feeling that this was something they did often for family fun, and not just something they were doing for show or for prize money.

Two events were highly interesting. The one was a cowhide race. A dried, untanned, stiff cowhide was brought into the arena and laid flat on the ground. A cowboy tied his lariat onto one side and a child laid down on the hide, grasping the front edge of it in his hands. The rider, with the rope around the saddle horn, pulls the hide and the child for a short distance, then around a barrel and back to the starting line. The fastest pull wins.

There is a jerk when the rider starts; and the hide tends to fly up off the ground when the rider pulls

it around the barrel. Most of the children riders were thrown off the hide as it flew around the barrel. Very few made it back to the starting line. It usually appeared that the child hide-rider was the son or daughter of the horse rider. So it was a family affair. A time of fun.

Another interesting event was the "vegetable" race. A watermelon, a glass of water and an egg were placed on the area in front of the grandstand. The contestants were a hundred yards away. Three riders, bareback on the same horse, composed a team. Each team would then race on a signal to the vegetable patch described as above. The object of the race was to gather up the melon, the water and the egg, remount the horse and race back to the starting line. The participants appeared to be young people of the town of St. Johns engaging in community fun. Two teams participated. The winning team included two riders who remained aboard the horse while the third rider, a girl, slid off the horse gathered up the melon, the glass of water and the egg and passed them up to her companions on the horse. Then with a fast run, the girl ran and vaulted over the rump of the horse, onto its back, behind her two companions. The three of them then rode back to the starting line. The other team was still trying to get back onto the horse bareback. It was great family fun. The participants enjoyed the game very much.

To us, guests, it was like being able to sit in and watch a precious family home evening.

What great people live in St. Johns!!

That night we went to the gymnasium in the Junior High School for our final awards program and President's banquet. We went there because this school had better facilities for a sit-down, banquet-type dinner. The banquet was great, good food, good fun, good people, and good entertainment.

The next day, Leo drove us all the way home to Salt Lake City. We returned through Gallup, New Mexico and Cortez, Colorado.

What a great time we had!! The Winnebago never stopped, hesitated or missed a cylinder firing all the way.

**The Awards & Achievements
Committee of SUP Reports
The Following Awards That
Were Announced at the 1988
Encampment in St. Johns.**

Outstanding Large Chapters

Holladay, Plaque, 4460 points
Temple Fork, Gold, 3550 points
Box Elder, Gold, 3180 points
Mesa, Gold, 3125 points
Hurricane Valley, Gold, 2435 points
East Mill Creek, Gold, 2390 points
Brigham Young, Gold, 2300 points
Sugar House, Gold, 2185 points
EMC Mills, Gold, 2080 points
Ogden Pioneer, Gold, 2030 points
Settlement Canyon, Gold, 1975 points

Outstanding Small Chapters

Twin Peaks, Plaque, 3705 points
Olympus Hills, Gold, 1980 points
Taylors./Benn., Gold, 1635 points
Union Fort, Gold, 1515 points

Short Story

A. Lamont Nielsen, Plaque
Florence C. Youngberg, Plaque

100% Chapter/Life Members

The Mountain Valley, Certificate

Outstanding National Couple

Phil & Bernice Robbins, Plaque

Outstanding Chapter Couple

Daniel Free & Lois Allred, Plaque

Outstanding National Individual

Alan Saville Young, Plaque

Outstanding Chapter Individual

Verdell Hinton, Plaque

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Hurricane Valley, Plate

Most New Members

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Wallace W. Bates, Plaque

Encampment Chairman of S.U.P.

Keith Shreeve, Plaque

Memorializations

Temple Fork Chapter, Plaque



Francis and Gloria Day, Area V.P. and Keith and Patty Reeves, Pres. of Little Colorado River Chapter. These two men planned and managed the Encampment.



Verle Peterson, Leon Christiansen and Sam Gordon, the Awards Committee.



*Daniel Allred and wife, Lois, the Outstanding Chapter Couple - Twin Peaks Chapter.
Alan S. Young, National Outstanding Individual Award - Twin Peaks Chapter.
I. Verdell Hinton, Outstanding Chapter Individual - Hurricane Valley Chapter.*



Outstanding Large Chapters Awards. LaMar Gardner, EMC Mills; Henry Matis, Ogden Pioneer; Sherman Lindholm, Settlement Canyon; Merrill Croft, Sugar House; Harold Laycock, Brigham Young; Hollis Smith, Holladay, plaque; Lloyd Martin, East Mill Creek; I. Verdell Hinton, Hurricane Valley; Delmar Layton, Mesa; LeRoy Ward, Box Elder; Dean Haslam, Temple Fork.

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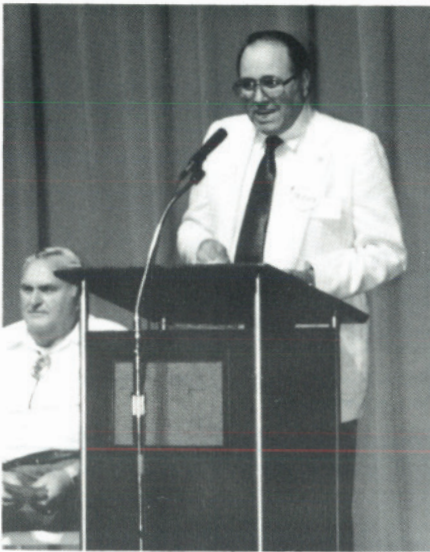
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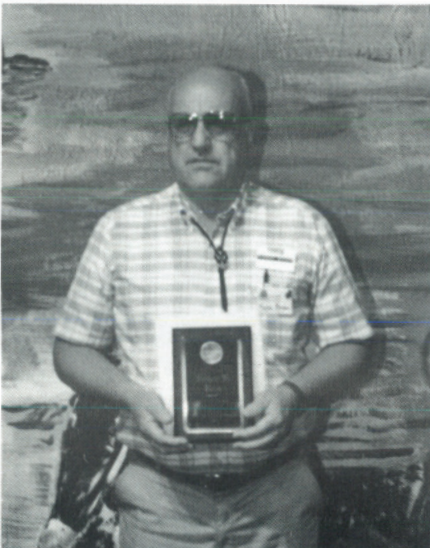
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Outstanding Small Chapters. H. Eugene Sadler, Area V.P. accepting for Union Fort Chapter; Shirl Wood, Taylorsville/Bennion; Edward Jackson, Olympus Hills; Jack Goodwin, Twin Peaks.



Frank Brown, Area V.P. accepting Outstanding National Couple Award for Phillip and Bernice Robbins, Holladay Chapter.



Settlement Canyon Chapter SUP Group that attended the historical tour of the South end of Tooele County, June 3rd, 1988.

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The 49'ers

by Alva Matheson

Jefferson Hunt was returning home after the longest hike in modern history. He had just completed a walk across the United States as a Captain in the Mormon Battalion. He had been mustered out of the army and was on his way north to the Salt Lake Valley to make a report to Brigham Young who had just arrived in the valley.

Jefferson Hunt with several other Battalion men had followed the Old Spanish Trail from California through Southern Utah to Salt Lake in the summer of 1849. This group brought with them the first wheeled vehicle to travel the route. This was two years before settlers came to Parowan. When Hunt reached Salt Lake there was a wagon train there on its way to the gold fields in California. It was late summer, October to be exact. They were told of the plight of the Donner party and they wanted none of that. When they learned of Jefferson's trip with a wagon they offered him \$1,000 to escort them back the way he had come. It was so arranged for the 125 wagons and 1,000 head of cattle.

They traveled without much trouble to the Beaver River where a group of men under Captain Smith, traveling light with horses, overtook them. Captain Smith had with him some maps, apparently made by General Freemont, of the area from Enterprise west which he said would cut their travel time by several weeks. As it turned out these maps were more theoretical than practical, but most of these weary travelers fell hard for this cutoff route and decided to take it. Their next stop was at Antelope Spring. The next stop was where New Castle now sits and is where Mr. Forsythe later built his home. Years later his son, Thomas, built a rock monument on the spot where the company camped in the backyard of his father's house where he lived. Thomas is now deceased.

This group of travelers became known by historians as the 49'ers. They argued among themselves as to whether they should take the cutoff route or stay with Captain Hunt. The majority was in favor of the

cutoff and won the decision. At the point of separation, before entering into Holt's Canyon, Jefferson Hunt told them they were heading into the mouth of Hell if they took the unexplored route with that many unexperienced people, among them women and children. He pulled his wagon off to the side and said, "If only one wagon stays with me I will take it through to California, but I will not take that cutoff road!"

Seven of the 125 wagons stayed with Hunt. The rest headed west through the country where Enterprise now sits, up through Shoel Creek to what has become known as Mount of Misery where they were stalled for two weeks before they could descend into the Meadow Valley Wash where highway 93 is at this time. At the Mount of Misery 14 of the 125 wagons became disillusioned with the new cutoff and returned to follow Hunt's trail. In due time they caught up with Hunt and they proceeded together and reached California in good shape. However it was different with the other company. One would have to read the history and some of the diaries of the few who finally made it through to have any idea of the agony and physical suffering experienced by these people before death relieved them of their agony.

They left dead people, cattle and oxen and abandoned wagons along their trail. They stripped and dried the flesh of the dead oxen. They loaded what they had onto other oxen as long as the oxen could walk. When these animals could go no further because of lack of water and grass, what little meat and sinew was on them was stripped off and portioned out to each one to carry his own means of survival. Before they reached this stage, however, there was a great deal of jealousy, quarreling and disagreement among the leaders. One would say, "Go this way," and another would say, "Go that way." Some of the people were so tired that they couldn't keep up and were lost. Most of them got through into Death Valley but many of them never got out. They died of thirst and starvation. It was these 49'ers who gave Death Valley its name. Of the 125 wagons loaded with families there were only about fifteen people who got through to

California.

Now back to the point of separation. In the early 1950's our Rock Club decided to build some kind of a monument at the point of separation. With a little inquiring into the legal end of things the legal beagles gave us too many "no, no's." We dropped the idea. Well, I said, "Then I'm going to get a piece of six inch pipe for a post and a flat piece of steel on which I will write the information and I will place the marker on the site where it can stay as long as the memory of the 49'ers lasts." A couple of friends said, "Well if you are that determined let's build a monument worthy of what it represents." The three of us put our heads, rocks and time together and with a little money, the end result was a beautiful monument 6' high and 3½' wide. It stands by itself in an isolated corner of the valley at the point where the 49'ers left the Old Spanish Trail. It was built by my two friends and myself. It has never been dedicated. The road has been changed so that it is about one mile from the county highway so few people know it is there.

As for anyone interested in the early history of this part of the country they should read and learn of the hardships that this group of 49'ers went through traveling every day from October 1849 until April of 1850 before some of them reached California. Several of them were children ages six to nine years. A great deal has been written about the Hole In The Rock expedition but, to my notion, the 49'ers had a more harrowing experience than they did. At least the people who went through the Hole In The Rock did not suffer the shortage of food, water and the searing heat and salty alkali dust of Death Valley.

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Cedar City member, Alva Matheson, dedicates a monument near the site where he was born.

Joseph G. (Joe) Bywater Engineer-Salt Lake City/ Park City Line

*by Ruth Bywater Gudmundson
Granddaughter
and Ray L. Alston*

The Transcontinental Railroad was finished May 10, 1869. This event at Promontory Point, Utah, was the end of a pioneer era. When the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad discontinued its roundtrip run from Salt Lake City to Park City in the early 1940's, another era ended. No longer would rich ore mined in Park City find its way to the Salt Lake Valley smelters by train. Little remains of the track that wound through Parley's Canyon, except the switchback scars near Parley's Summit and the track that extends now only to Sugarhouse. This mining venture would soon be forgotten by many. Nevertheless, certain aspects of the operation deserve to be remembered, such as the wealth now evident in the Kearns mansion and other mansions of Salt Lake City, the wealth of George Hurst, father of William Randolph Hurst, and the life of Joseph G. (Joe) Bywater, engineer for the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad from 1892 to 1929.

Joe guided his train from Salt Lake City, through Parley's Canyon to Park City, and back every day. The route passed what is now the location of the SUP headquarters building. The train consisted of a varying number of freight cars and a passenger car, and was pulled by a

steam locomotive. One could set his watch by Joe's blowing the train whistle as he approached the Sugarhouse station every morning at eight on his way to Park City. He was a stickler for punctuality. The train stopped for additional water at a water tank before making the steep grades and horseshoe turns to get over Parley's Summit.

Many of the landmarks of Sugarhouse where the train passed are gone now, such as the old sugar mill, the planing mill, the railroad station, Andrew Davidson's blacksmith shop, as well as the Joseph Bywater home between 2015 and 2019 Lincoln Street in Sugarhouse.

Nearly one million miles is the record claimed by Joe. He began his railroad career as an apprentice at the age fourteen in the shops of the Utah Central Railroad. He later became a master mechanic, then he followed the footsteps of his father, George G. Bywater, an engineer for the Utah Central Railroad, and became an engineer himself.

Once on a return trip to Salt Lake City, just as the train had left the Park City depot, and was taking on full speed, Joseph saw an open switch eighty feet ahead. He at once signaled for the hand brakes, applied the air brakes, and reversed the engine. He shouted to the fireman to jump, then left the cab himself. The engine slowed considerably in the last forty feet before reaching the switch, whereupon it left the tracks and overturned. The local paper reported, "the engineer (Joe) was found lying by the side of the tracks with a broken thigh, but the fireman could not at first be located. Search efforts discovered the body of George Edgar, the fireman, partially buried by the overturned tender."

Later, Joe was commended for his cool-headed action in stopping the train. His efforts saved the train from a more serious wreck, and saved the lives of the passengers who were on board.

Joe was a kind, loving, and distinguished gentleman. He was active in politics, serving two terms in the Utah State Legislature. He was a trustee for the Salt Lake Board of Education. He held a high office in the Masonic lodge, receiving the

distinction of 33rd Degree on his sixty-eighth birthday. He was also a director in the Cambrian Society, succeeding his father, a charter member. As a representative of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Joseph was the originator of the pension system for the railroad.

Joseph was an excellent orator, and loved to recite poetry. His rendition of "How I came to be Bald" was a classic. The poem was about his wife's dream. "She dreamed that she was a train engineer and had to pull on the brakes to make an emergency stop." It was his hair she pulled and yanked until it all came out!

One summer evening while walking past the Alston house in Sugarhouse on the corner of 9th East and 21st South, Joe saw the Alston boys fishing in the open ditch. They had a fish but could not land it. Joe reached his hand into the water, underneath the fish, and scooped it onto the bank, much to the delight of the boys.

He always provided fireworks on the Fourth of July for his whole neighborhood. For Christmas, Joe brought freshly-cut pine trees from the canyon on his train for his family.

Joseph G. Bywater, born October 2, 1857, in Salt Lake City, was the son of George G. and Martha Jones Bywater, pioneers of 1854. On November 14, 1878, Joseph married Ruth Walkup Mowry, born October 12, 1858, and they had six children, only one of whom is still living, Gladys Bywater Thorup of Freemont, California. Ten years after Ruth's death on October 12, 1914, Joe married Sophronia Ann Jones on May 20, 1924. Joe died on January 7, 1931 of apoplexy. He was seventy-four.

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A Monument to the Prison in Sugar House Park

by Merrill W. Croft and Leo Mower

A dedicatory program was held July 27, 1988, at 10:00 a.m., for a monument depicting the location of the pioneer Utah Penitentiary which once stood where the Sugar House Park in Salt Lake City is now located. This prison site was originally selected in 1853 by Brigham Young as a part of his annual message to the Territorial Legislature.

The presentation of the colors by members of the Utah National Guard was a great ceremony to watch and to participate in. Following this, the invocation was by Thomas C. Rockwood, a great-great grandson of the first warden, Albert Perry Rockwood.

An introduction of the distinguished guests and participants on the stand was made by Hope A. Hilton, a Sugar House resident and historian, who played a leadership role in helping to get the monument project started some five years ago. The monument was then unveiled while the several hundred spectators of all ages and from all walks of life loudly applauded. Many of these individuals were apparently representatives of the several organizations involved with the monument and with the plaques thereon.

Mr. Stan Ward, Markers and Monuments Chairman for the Sons of Utah Pioneers, gave a brief history concerning the monument and what it represents. He then presented it to the Sugar House Park Authority. An acceptance response was given by Mr. Robert E. Doidge, president of the park organization. The messages conveyed by these two dedicated men were very informative as well as being especially appropriate for this historical occasion.

The John Schmidt male quartet sang "A Poor Wayfaring Man of Grief." The members were Drew Pope, Park Lloyd, Gary Goodwin, and John Schmidt.

The dedicatory address was given



President Hinckley

by President Gordon B. Hinckley of the First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. President Hinckley reminded those in attendance of the many heartaches that took place within the walls of the Utah Penitentiary during the many years it was in existence. He told of members of the LDS Church who were imprisoned there for reasons over which they had no control. "Comfort comes," he said, "knowing that where a prison once stood now stands a beautiful park for everyone to enjoy. What a wonderful thing this is to find that this place of sadness has been replaced by an area of happiness."

The closing hymn by the male quartet was "Oh My Father."

The benediction and dedicatory prayer was by Veloy H. Butterfield, 1986 president of the Sugar House Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

It has taken many people, some of them unrecognized or unknown, to accomplish the task of building the monument and to properly prepare for the dedicatory program. Thanks are hereby tendered to anyone who helped in any way whatsoever.

Red sandstone rocks that once formed the walls of the prison were used by Hiram Smith, a West Valley City stone mason, to build the monument. These were collected by Merrill W. Croft, President of the Sugar House Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Special certificates have been presented to the Dewey C. McKay, Evelyn Brown, Claude Murray and Lee Vincent Families as donors of most of the rocks.

The two plaques were placed on



The plaque: SUP on one side and DUP on the other.

the monument by the Edgehill Chapter of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers and the Sugar House Chapter of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Plaque preparations were by Jim Petters of Nova Color Engraving. The architects were Dale McCormack and Roger Borgenicht.

This commemorative monument was funded by the Sugar House Community Council, the Utah Peace Officers and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in addition to the Sons and Daughters of Utah Pioneers.

Troop 84 of the Boy Scouts of America, with Phil Pugsley as Scoutmaster, was responsible for the hauling and placement of chairs for the seating of those in attendance. Parleys 6th Ward, with Dan Gardiner as bishop, was responsible for the flags, flares, display boards and V.I.P. parking. The Utah Historical Society furnished the many excellent historical pictures for the several displays depicting the prison and the life within it. A special chicken luncheon was served by the Sugar House Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers at the Lake Terrace.

The two plaques, mounted on each of the two parts of the monument, are a continuous inscription with the title "UTAH PENITENTIARY" at the top of each. They read as follows:

"This monument marks the site of the Utah Penitentiary, selected by Brigham Young in October, 1853, then a safe 6 miles from the center of the city.

The first buildings of adobe brick, surrounded by a 12-foot wall, were occupied in January 1855.

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Days of '47 Sunrise Service

by Larry A. Eggett

"The price people paid to establish their home in this part of the world was a heavy price!" So stated Elder Glen L. Rudd of the First Quorum of the Seventy. Speaking at the annual Days of '47 Sunrise Service in the Tabernacle on July 25, Elder Rudd continued, "I hope that those of us who enjoy the privilege of living here and in other lovely cities and towns in the Intermountain West will never forget the price that our forefathers paid in establishing themselves in this part of the world."

Elder Rudd, himself a descendant of pioneers, related the story of his great-grandfather and great-grandmother in order to illustrate. After they had joined the L.D.S. Church, they were desirous to come to the Salt Lake Valley. His great-grandmother, however, was in poor health, and her doctor advised her not to make the journey. The missionaries gave her a blessing, promising her that she would live

until she arrived in Salt Lake. The family made the long, arduous trip from Wales, and Elder Rudd's great-grandmother died the day after they arrived in Salt Lake. She left behind a four-year-old son, who was Elder Rudd's grandfather.

He quoted Pres. Thomas S. Monson, who said, "For many, the journey didn't begin at Nauvoo, Kirtland, Far West, or New York, but rather in distant England, Scotland, Scandinavia, or Germany." Elder Rudd then said, "For part of my family it started in Wales and cost the life of a wonderful young mother, my great-grandmother, the day after she arrived."

Elder Rudd noted that July 24, 1847, was a Saturday. "The next morning there was no work done . . . Instead of working, everyone stopped to worship the Lord and held regular Church services." Pres. Brigham Young spoke to the Saints that day. Wilford Woodruff recorded that Pres. Young told them that "they must not work on Sunday, that they would lose five times as much as they would gain by it, and that they must not hunt or fish on that day." Elder Rudd pointed out

that these instructions on Sabbath Day observance are still in effect for Church members.

However, he also observed that our valley has become the home of many people who are not members of the Church. He counseled that we should make every effort to see that these people feel welcome. "It is their city, too," he said. "Our neighbors who do not believe as we do have every right to be here and to enjoy the blessings that are here for them."

Music for the service was provided by the Millcreek Region L.D.S. Choir, under the direction of Joyce Smith. The choir performed several stirring numbers, including "Let the Mountains Shout for Joy," "Utah, We Love Thee," and "America, the Beautiful." Narration for the musical portion of the program was done by Don Davis.

Special guests attending the service included Utah Governor Norman Bangerter, National SUP President Everett Call and his wife, and the Days of '47 royalty. The Sunrise Service is sponsored annually by the Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter of SUP.

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Survivor of Haun's Mill Massacre

This story is one that I heard my father relate many times. My regret is that I did not take heed of the details, such as names, dates, places, etc., but I was young and thoughtless and didn't realize the importance of the future.

As a young man my father did little for a livelihood other than to herd cattle and sheep, haul freight and things of that nature. It was while herding sheep on the Cedar and Parowan mountains that this story has its beginning.

It was seldom, in those days, that a man was seen in the mountains very far from camp without a horse or wagon. So it was when my father saw a man who limped, sauntering aimlessly along the road that he went to investigate. The man said he had no place to go and it did not matter how long he stayed. He seemed rather melancholy and cared little what happened to himself. He seemed reluctant to talk very much but my father's friendly, carefree manner, and an invitation to eat, changed his attitude somewhat and he stayed around with my father for several days. During this time he became quite friendly and would tell of his life and experiences, most of which consisted of his coming to Utah. Most of that I do not have enough of the details to write about but through stories and study I remembered part of it.

Many of you will remember the Haun's Mill Massacre at the time the Mormons were being so brutally driven from their homes in Missouri before coming West. During one of the encounters, one of the Saints, who was a blacksmith, was being attacked by the mob and to try to save his seven year old boy, he hid him behind the forge. The mob forced their way into the shop and, as I remember the story, killed the man, his wife and daughter, shot the boy and left him for dead, but neighbors found him and nursed him back to health. He had been shot through the hip and part of the bone was gone. It took a long time for his leg to heal enough that he could do much work. He never recovered enough that he didn't limp badly.

I do not know of this man's travel to Utah or the West, except that it was hard for him to get work or to hold a job on account of his lameness. The story he told my father was that he finally worked his way to Pioche, Nevada where he had some kind of work.

One day this man was in a saloon passing away a little leisure time, listening to several other men who were drinking, laughing and trying to tell the tallest tale. As they talked and drank one large burley man's tongue seemed to come loose at both ends. He began to curse religion in general and especially the Mormons.

As he talked on he began to tell how he had been one of a crowd of men in Missouri who burned and sacked some of the Mormon homes and how they had thrown old Joe Smith into jail to try to discourage the Mormons. Then he went on a lengthy tirade of cursing old Joe Smith for shooting through the door and killing one of his friends. He went on trying to justify himself in the fact that in one of the last raids against the Mormons he got even with them for trying to convert some of his friends to their unholy beliefs. He said, "We had them on the run going from house to house and we were burning their homes down after them. It was like chasing quails."

Our limping friend sat glued to every word with uncontrollable anger mounting. As the loud-mouthed man went on he said that at one place he went into a blacksmith shop to see that no one had escaped them by hiding there. He found a youngster hid in a hole back of the forge, adding that he made sure that he would never grow up to be a G. D. Mormon. He added, "It was like shooting a rat in a trap."

At this point our crippled friend could contain his anger no longer. He walked over to the man's table and demanded, "Look at me. Do you know who I am?" The man looked at him for a moment and said, drunkenly, "Never saw you before in my life." Our limping friend said, "Yes you did, I am that defenseless little boy that you shot like a rat in a trap!"

In telling my father of the inci-

dent he said that he stood and watched the man's face turn red, green and then purple for a moment, then shot him.

He said that since that day he had never known a moment's peace of mind, that he always expected the next man he met would be a law man ready to pick him up. He had never been able to settle down to any kind of job and had wandered aimlessly wherever a road went, or a passing wagon would offer him a ride.

Remorsefully he said, "I never should have shot the man. It wasn't my place to bring him to justice for his wrongs. Anyway, two wrongs never did make one right." He stayed at my father's camp for a few days and my father never heard of him again.



The Spanish Trail Monument in Iron County, Utah, was erected by Wilford Lawrence, Thomas Forsyth and Alva Matheson to mark the point where the "49ers" expedition left the Spanish Trail and followed an uncharted route through Death Valley to the tragic death of most of the party.

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Error Corrected

We regret the error which appeared on page 8 of the July-August issue. Roy Peterson was listed as President of the Heber Chapter. This is wrong. Rex Whiting is the President of that said chapter. Roy Peterson is the Secretary-Treasurer. We regret the error.

Editor

Past Presidents of Sugar House Chapter To Be Honored

Past Presidents of Sugar House Chapter of SUP will be guests of honor at the September 28, 1988 Program at the National Headquarters Building. The 7:00 p.m. Banquet will be served by caterer, Beth Holf. The guests and partners will be addressed by Past President Wendell J. Ashton, recently released president of the England London Mission, and his wife, Belva, matron of the Temple.

The Sugar House Chapter was organized May 24, 1949 with Wendell J. Ashton as the first president and has flourished since that time.



Honoring the Past Presidents, all living Past Presidents have been invited to be in attendance, as well as family of those deceased, to receive recognition for their services to the Sugar House Sons since 1949.

The names of the list of those being honored are:

1946	Wendell J. Ashton
1947	James R. Cahoon
1948	Richard Lambert
1949	Horace A. Sorensen*
1950	Horace A. Sorensen*
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1952	David M. Evans
1953	Karl Hale*
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1959	Arthur J. Reynolds*
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1964	Eli D. LeCheminant*
1965	Tanner L. Brown*
1966	Glen C. Bills
1967	Richard G. Welch
1968	Rollow C. Kimball
1969	Alvin G. Pack
1970	Joseph A. Anderson
1971	Sidney M. Horman
1972	Albert Eccles
1973	Francis L. Lund
1974	Lowell P. Hicks
1975	Roscoe T. Pixton
1976	W. P. Robbins
1977	George A. McClellan
1978	Joseph G. Jeppson
1979	John E. Larson
1980	John Otis Simonsen*
1981	Ferdinand E. Peterson
1982	Ralph M. Davey
1983	Reed D. Andrew
1984	Lynn N. Murdock
1985	J. Stuart McMaster
1986	Veloy H. Butterfield
1987	Joseph W. Gunn
1988	Herbert E. Rumel*
1988	Merrill W. Croft

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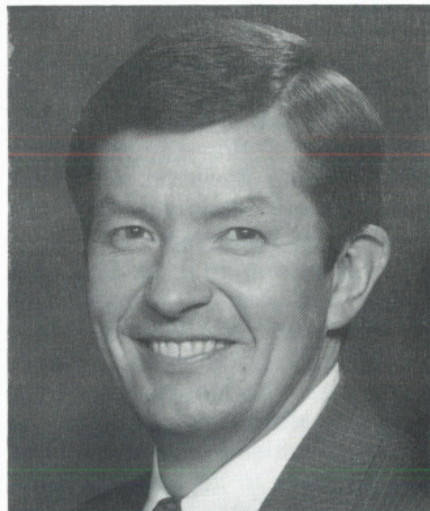
The musical program will be performed by the "Thursday Singers" and will consist of compositions written by John Mitcheltree selected from a program in May "Some of My Favorite Things" and directed by Helen Mitcheltree.

What a pleasant experience will be enjoyed by all attending, greeting friends and associates who have as

their purpose, preserving their pioneer heritage.

All of our members, partners and guests are invited to this outstanding event to have a wonderful time and pay respects to our Past Presidents.

1988 SUP Sugar House Chapter Monthly Dinner & Program Meeting



Dr. Cecil O. Samuelson, Jr., dean of the University of Utah Medical School and a nationally recognized specialist in rheumatology, has been appointed vice president for health sciences. He is well known to members of the University community and was chosen following a six-week nationwide search for a successor to Dr. Don E. Detmer.

Dr. Samuelson will be our guest speaker on October 26, 1988. A male musical group comprised of members of the SUP will furnish special musical numbers on that evening.

Three Generations of Pixtons



Pictured above is the youngest Life Member of the Sugar House Chapter, Jeremy Duncan Pixton, age 12 born October 30, 1976. On the left is Roscoe T. Pixton, center is Jeremy Duncan Pixton, and on the right is his father R. Gerald Pixton.

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Prison

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Albert Perry Rockwood served as the first warden. He reported that escapes were frequent because of poor facilities and the lack of guards.

In 1866 the prison was renovated. The three buildings, wall, and guard houses were upgraded to stone. Later a dining hall, hospital and women's quarters were added.

In 1882 the prison included 244 steel cells and a 250 capacity chapel. A new 19-foot wall enclosed 2 acres. A large area surrounding the prison was used by inmates to farm and raise livestock for inmate consumption.

After World War II the growth of the city to the south and east made it imperative to construct a large prison facility in a more isolated area. In 1951 all the old penitentiary buildings were demolished and the inmates transferred to the Point of the Mountain 30 miles away. This site then became beautiful Sugar House Park. The stone in the monument are from the old penitentiary.

The name "Sugar House" comes from the Mormon pioneer attempt to grow sugar beets and refine sugar in this area. The refining process was unsuccessful and the factory was torn down, but the name remained to designate a suburb of Salt Lake City. After 1849 pioneers entered and left the valley from the Sugar House staging area through Parleys Canyon to the east."

It was a great occasion for those who had worked so hard over the past several years to help make it happen. There has been much red tape to be cut in the process of gaining approval to go ahead with the project. That is all in the past. The monument is now available to remind those of us in the present as well as in the generations to come of the circumstances under which the beautiful Sugar House Park came into existence. May it, along with memories of the institution that once stood in its place, never cease to exist.

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Vincent Madison Flake

Vincent Madison Flake, age 73, a Life Member of SUP, died August 19, 1988. Brother Flake was an active member of the LDS Church, having served as Bishop of the Olympia, Washington Ward. He held many other positions in the Church. He and his wife were on a mission to the San Francisco area when it was discovered that he was suffering from cancer, which finally took his life. He is survived by his wife, Lenora and six children. He was a resident of Snowflake, Arizona where his funeral was held on August 23rd, 1988.

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Chapter Eternal

Verne John Kener

Verne John Kener, 83, a member of the Salt Lake City Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, died July 7, 1988. He was an active High Priest in the LDS Church; and worked for many years in the Boy Scouts of America. In his daily life he was a Maintenance Superintendent at the Union Building, University of Utah. He is survived by his widow, five sons, 19 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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Ralph Bevan

Ralph Bevan, age 78, a member of the Settlement Canyon Chapter of SUP, died June 25, 1988. He was an active member of the LDS Church where he participated in Scouting and earned his Eagle Award, along with his sons. He was employed by International Smelter and Refinery and by the Tooele School District. He was a Past President of his SUP Chapter. He is survived by his widow of Tooele, two sons, a daughter, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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Harold John Shaw

Harold John Shaw, age 75, Past President of the Murray Chapter of SUP, died June 26, 1988. He was a former Bishop and held many other positions in the LDS Church. He was a chemist for the US Smelting and Refining Co. He is survived by his widow, Maurine, four daughters, three sons, twenty-seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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William D. Haslam

William D. Haslam, age 73, a member of the Murray Chapter of SUP, died June 27, 1988. He was Office Manager for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. for 35 years. Active in the LDS Church, he was a former Bishop, and member of a Stake Presidency. He is survived by his widow, Thelma, four sons, two daughters, fifteen grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

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Elwood A. Gee

Elwood A. Gee, age 80, a member of the Twin Peaks Chapter of SUP, died July 7, 1988. He was a graduate of BYU. He served for thirty-five years as Distributor for the American Oil Co. in Vernal and Daggett Counties. Active in the LDS Church, he served in the English Mission, was a Bishop's Counselor and a member of the High Council. He is survived by his widow, Vera Gee, a daughter, a son and four grandchildren.

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